

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: )  
Ekberg, Karin et al ) Group Art Unit: 1649  
Application No.: 10/575,701 ) Examiner: MacFarlane, Stacey N.  
FILED: 12/11/2006 ) DATE: 09/18/2009  
**TITLE: THERAPEUTIC APPLICATIONS FOR C-PEPTIDE**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office Action mailed June 18 2009, Applicants request consideration of the remarks and arguments contained herein in the above-identified application.

A response to the Office Action is due on September 18, 2009; therefore, Applicants assert that the present response is timely filed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to treat this and any future reply, requiring a petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.135 for its timely submission or payment of fee, as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time or authorization to pay any required fees. Please charge any appropriate fees to Deposit Account No. 504297. Entry and consideration of the following remarks is respectfully requested.

**Listing of the Claims** provides the currently pending claims and begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 3 of this paper. Please enter the following claims and remarks.